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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

In re Patent Application of

Ted Guidotti et al.

Application No.: 10/671,541

Filing Date:

Sir:

September 29, 2003

Title: ABSORBENT ARTICLE

Group Art Unit: 3761

Examiner: Jacqueline F. Stephens

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Enc	losed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.						
	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.						
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$65.00 (2814) ☐ \$130.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.						
	Also enclosed is/are						
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.						
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$395.00 (2801) \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).						
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.						
	Applicant(s) previously submitted						
	for which continued examination is requested.						
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.						
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed						

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		AM	ENDE	ED CLAIMS			
	No. of Claims	Highest of Clair Previou Paid F	ms sly	Extra Claims		Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims		MINUS	=	0	×	\$50.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	-	MINUS	=	0	×	\$200.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds n	nultiple depen	dent claims,	add \$	360.00 (1203)	-		
Total Claim Amendment Fee							\$ 0.00
Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee						\$ 0.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0.00	

Ц	A check in the amount of	of	_ is enclosed for the fee due.
	Charge	to Deposit Acc	ount No. 02-4800.
	Charge	to credit card.	Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Species I, which is directed to the subject matter of Figures 3a, 3b, 4, 5, and 6. Applicants submit that claims 1-8 and 10-16 read on the elected species.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this Response, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned attorney so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

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